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DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES

VEHICLE INDUSTRY NEWS

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Subject : Vehicle Model 30 Years Old or Older Smog Certification Exempt

Information

Effective January 1, 2003, vehicles with a vehicle year model 30 years old or older are exempt from smog certification. The Vehicle Code now provides a 30 year “rolling” smog exemption.

30 Year Smog Exemption

A smog certification is **not** required for an original, transfer, or renewal application when the vehicle year model is 30 years old or older, regardless of the vehicle’s month of expiration.

Using the **calendar year minus 29** equals the year model exempt from a smog certification.

Example:

The calendar year is	2003	2004
	<u>-29</u>	<u>-29</u>
Exempt year model	1974	1975

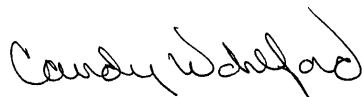
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